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Fire Chief's Report

The annual performance evaluations for our Company Officers have now been completed.

Our recent biennial audit report information has been posted on social media.

Our Medic Unit apparatus (now with a new factory level transmission) has been repaired and back in service.

P/M Brandi Mauck has initiated a Medic One Foundation Grant on our behalf to acquire a "Lucas" device (mechanized CPR chest compression tool). I have encouraged and provided some tutelage to Brandi in this endeavor. Matching funds are typically 25%. EXAMPLE: \$6,000 match on a \$25,000 grant award.

Jay Jacks reports that our Eng 1-2 needs a replacement turbo charger component. Parts cost is \$4,800, plus tax. Repair will performed at our CIFR shop.

Had a friendly conversation on the sidewalk at the Post Office last week with Mabana Flames President Betty Metz. We spoke of possible future staffing ideas at our Station 1-5 and also the ongoing feasibility study there. The Flames group remains quite interested in this general topic. No specific promises have been made. No new project study information has been forwarded just yet from our consulting firm T.C.A. (Mr Brian Harris).

The Granite Falls Fire District has requested to utilize our Fire Pump Training Trailer for a one week duration. Both myself, Jay Jacks, and Capt Allen agree this action would be a goodwill gesture, promoting inter-agency relations and enhancing fire service training. Our pump trailer was originally acquired from local benefactor donation funds. Our insurance agent has also blessed this proposed training action. Jay is now ensuring that our pump training trailer is road ready with all appurtenances properly secured.

The County Planning Dept has made the fire district aware of the local design architects Pelletier & Schaar proposal to construct a new retail / multi-family (mixed use) complex on the existing vacant commercial parcel adjacent the Camano Auto Body Shop. One depiction indicates a four separate three story multi-family apartment buildings. I have responded to the county citing the current fire code language specifying the need for either an elevated stream or ladder truck fire apparatus for building in excess of 30 feet in height (3 stories).

Attended the monthly North County Fire Chief's meeting last week in Tulalip. One topic discussed involved the idea of appointing a lead agency to act in the capacity of a Clearing House, . . . then administrating, recruiting, training, reviewing, and outfitting new Part Time firefighters for the greater north-end fire districts. There was ample support for this idea among the chiefs present. More info if / when it develops.

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